



July 17, 2020

As of yesterday's report, Greenwood County had 17 additional confirmed cases in the county for a total of 884 cases confirmed since 21 March. *Remember this is only those which have been confirmed and is for those who were tested a minimum of two days ago. This means there are others who have been tested and are in quarantine awaiting results. Additionally, an individual can be asymptomatic, (contagious but shows no symptoms), and may choose not to be tested.*

The first 526 cases in Greenwood County were reported over 15 days ago, so there are and 526 individuals who should have recovered from the virus. Additionally, Greenwood County has had **9** deaths due to the virus. This brings Greenwood County's remaining **estimated** total of active confirmed cases to 349. *DHEC does not track recovered individuals by county, so this number is an estimate based on the following: Most individuals recover from the virus within this time frame.*

From 3 July until 15 July (2 weeks), Greenwood has had 354 confirmed cases out of a population of 70,811. This equates to an incident rate of 499.9 per 100,000 individuals which is rated as **high** by SCDHEC. (Low = 50 or less; Medium = 51 - 200; High = 201 or more)

SCDHEC reported an additional 1,842 new confirmed cases in the state for a total of 63,880. Also, they reported 69 new confirmed deaths in the state for a total of 1,053; Anderson(1), Beaufort(3), Berkeley(2), Charleston(12), Chester(1), Chesterfield(1), Colleton(3), Darlington(1), Dillon(2), Florence(1), Georgetown(1), Greenville(16), Greenwood(2), Horry(4), Kershaw(1), Lancaster(1), Lexington(5), Orangeburg(4), Pickens(2), Richland(4), Spartanburg(1), and Williamsburg(1). 55 were elderly individuals and 14 were middle-aged. For additional information on underlying conditions or other information in this section, please call DHEC at 1-855- 472- 3432. *SCDHEC has begun providing a number of probable cases and deaths. I will only be providing the confirmed numbers. Once a probable case or death is confirmed, they will add it to their confirmed total and I will report it.*

SCDHEC reported 7,935 of 10,881 hospital beds available in the state are in use which is a 72.9% utilization rate. Of these beds in use, 1,578 (19.9%) are patients who have tested positive or are under investigation for COVID-19.

As of 14 July, Greenwood County has 229 of 264 hospital beds in use which is 86.7% utilization rate. **(SCDHEC's Hospital Bed Occupancy information for Greenwood was not updated for 16 July.)**

SCDHEC is finding an increased rate of individuals who do not have symptoms and don't know they are infectious as they have expanded testing. This increases the risk of spreading the virus. Over the past couple of weeks, Greenwood County has seen the number of cases of COVID-19 increase. In some cases this was the result of individuals not social distancing or wearing masks. It is important we slow the spread of the virus by keeping 6 feet apart, washing our hands, avoiding large gatherings, remaining home when sick and wearing masks when in public facilities which do not allow for social distancing.

To view additional data see [DHEC's COVID-19 webpage](#).

The following are the dates and locations for COVID-19 mobile test sites in Greenwood County. Self Regional events will be from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

20 July: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional

22 July: 122 New Zion Road, Bradley, (PLEAD), 10 am - 4 pm, Carolina Health Centers

23 July: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional

27 July: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional

28 July: 929 Phoenix Street, Greenwood, (United Center), Self Regional

29 July: 530 Baptist Street, Greenwood (Morris Chapel), 10 am - 4 pm, Carolina Health Centers

30 July: 303 Alexander Avenue East, Greenwood, Self Regional